

the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for Financial Services and General Government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies approved for full committee consideration an original bill making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, the Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020.

SOUTHEASTERN EUROPE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities concluded a hearing to examine the situation in Southeastern Europe, after receiving testimony from Damon M. Wilson, Atlantic Council; David O. Shullman, International Republican Institute; and Janusz Bugajski, Center for European Policy Analysis.

MINERALS FOR CLEAN ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the sourcing and use of minerals needed for clean energy technologies, after receiving testimony from Daniel Simmons, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Energy Efficiency and

Renewable Energy; Morgan D. Bazilian, Colorado School of Mines Payne Institute for Public Policy, Golden; Allison Carlson, FP Analytics, and W. Robert Kang, Blue Whale Materials LLC, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mark P. Mills, Manhattan Institute, New York, New York.

HOLOCAUST-ERA INSURANCE CLAIMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Holocaust-era insurance claims, after receiving testimony from Baird Webel, Specialist in Financial Economics, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Stuart E. Eizenstat, former Ambassador and Special Advisor on Holocaust Issues, Department of State; David Mermelstein, Holocaust Survivors of Miami-Dade County, Miami, Florida; Anna B. Rubin, New York State Department of Financial Services Holocaust Claims Processing Office, New York, New York; and Samuel J. Dubbin, Holocaust Survivors Foundation USA, Coral Gables, Florida.

ENFORCEMENT OF THE ANTITRUST LAWS OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights concluded an oversight hearing to examine enforcement of the antitrust laws, after receiving testimony from Joseph Simons, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; and Makan Delrahim, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

Daily Digest

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 4340–4369; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 559–560 were introduced. **Pages H7753–54**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H7755–56**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 558, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1423) to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration; waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules; and providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 116–210). **Pages H7741, H7752**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Peters to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7717**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:15 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H7719**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Brother Peter Tabichi, OFM Keriko Mixed Day Secondary School, Pwani Village, Kenya. **Page H7719**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:06 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H7719**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Stop Tip-overs of Unstable, Risky Dressers on Youth Act: H.R. 2211, amended, to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety rule for free-standing clothing storage units to protect children from tip-over related death or injury; **Pages H7720–23**

Nicholas and Zachary Burt Carbon Monoxide Poisoning Prevention Act of 2019: H.R. 1618, amended, to encourage States to require the installation of residential carbon monoxide detectors in homes; **Pages H7723–27**

Portable Fuel Container Safety Act of 2019: H.R. 806, amended, to require compliant flame mitigation devices to be used on portable fuel containers for flammable liquid fuels; **Pages H7727–29**

Helen Keller National Center Reauthorization Act of 2019: H.R. 2134, amended, to reauthorize the Helen Keller National Center for Youths and Adults Who Are Deaf-Blind; and **Pages H7732–34**

Fostering Undergraduate Talent by Unlocking Resources for Education Act: H.R. 2486, amended, to reauthorize mandatory funding programs for historically Black colleges and universities and other minority-serving institutions. **Pages H7734–37**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:56 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H7741**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed by unanimous consent to take from the Speakers table the bill S. 1790, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House; to strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof provisions of H.R. 2500 as passed by the House; to pass the Senate bill, as amended; and to insist on the

House amendment thereto and request a conference with the Senate thereon. **Pages H7737–41, H7741–42, H7743–44, H7745**

Rejected the Thornberry motion to instruct conferees by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 198 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 531. **Pages H7738–41, H7741–42**

Agreed to the Smith (WA) motion to close portions of the conference by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 407 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 532. **Pages H7743–44**

Later, the Chair appointed the following conferees: From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Smith of Washington, Davis of California, Langevin, Larsen of Washington, Cooper, Courtney, Garamendi, Speier, Norcross, Gallego, Moulton, Carbajal, Brown of Maryland, Khanna, Keating, Vela, Kim, Kendra S. Horn of Oklahoma, Cisneros, Thornberry, Wilson of South Carolina, Turner, Rogers of Alabama, Conaway, Lamborn, Wittman, Hartzler, Stefanik, Kelly of Mississippi, Bacon, Banks, and Cheney. **Page H7745**

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of matters within the jurisdiction of that committee under clause 11 of rule X: Representatives Schiff, Sewell of Alabama, and Nunes. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on the Budget, for consideration of secs. 4 and 10608 of the Senate bill, and secs. 1006 and 1112 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Yarmuth, Peters, and Johnson of Ohio. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on Education and Labor, for consideration of secs. 571, 572, and 5501 of the Senate bill, and secs. 211, 576, 580, 1099N, 1117, 3120, and 3503 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Scott of Virginia, Trahan, and Foxx of North Carolina. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of secs. 214, 315, 318, 703, 3112, 3113, 3201–03, 5318, 6001, 6006, 6021, 6701, 6711, 6721–24, 6741, 6742, 6751–54, 8101, 8202, 10421, 10422, and 10742 of the Senate bill, and secs. 315, 330F, 330H, 3300, 606, 737, 3111, 3112, 3127, 3128, 3201, and 3202 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Pallone, Tonka, and Upton. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of secs. 6017, 6018, 6804, 6811, 6813–16, 6834, 6835, and title LXIX of the Senate bill, and secs. 550K, 560G, subtitle I of title X, secs. 1240B, 1292, 1704, 1711, 1713–16, 1733,

and 2843 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Waters, Sherman, and Barr. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of secs. 834, 1011, 1043, 1202, 1203, 1205, 1206, 1211, 1212, 1215, 1221–24, 1231–36, 1238, 1252, 1281–84, title XIII, secs. 1671, 1681, 2822, 6203–06, 6210, 6213, 6215, 6231, 6236, title LXVIII, secs. 6921, 6922, 6931, 6941, 6943, 6954, part I of subtitle B of title LXXXV, secs. 8562, and 10701 of the Senate bill, and secs. 634, 1036, 1046, 1050, 1099X, 1201, 1202, 1204, 1207, 1210, 1213, 1215, 1218, 1221–25, 1229, 1231–34, 1240A, 1241, 1250D, 1251, 1255, 1258, 1260A, 1260B, 1265, 1266, 1269, 1270, 1270G, 1270H, 1270I, 1270N, 1270R, 1270S, 1270T, 1270W, subtitle I of title XII, subtitle J of title XII, title XIII, secs. 1521, 1669, and title XVII of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. Engel, Meeks, and McCaul.

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From the Committee on Homeland Security, for consideration of secs. 6006, 6012, and 8543 of the Senate bill, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Rose of New York, Underwood, and Walker.

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From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of secs. 1025, 1031, 1044, 1682, 6004, 6206, 6804, 6811, 6813–16, 6835, 6921, and 6944 of the Senate bill, and secs. 530F, 530G, 550D, 550F, 550J, 570H, 729, 827, 1011, 1048, 1049, 1050C, 1093, 1099C, 1099K, 1099V, 1099Z–3, 1212, 1296A, 1704, 1711, 1713–16, and 1733 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Nadler, Lofgren, and Collins of Georgia.

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From the Committee on Natural Resources, for consideration of secs. 314, 2812, 2814, 6001, 6020, subtitle C of title LXVII, sec. 8524, part I of subtitle B of title LXXXV, secs. 8554, and 8571 of the Senate bill, and secs. 330G, 1094, 1099D, 1099F, 1099U, 2851, subtitle F of title XXVIII, secs. 2876, and 2880 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Grijalva, Haaland, and Bishop of Utah.

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From the Committee on Oversight and Reform, for consideration of secs. 218, 530, 559, 579, 1081, 1082, title XI, secs. 5802, 6012, subtitle B of title LXV, secs. 9304, 9307, 9311, 9313, 9314, 10303, 10432, 10434, 10601, 10603–05, 10612, 10741, and 10742 of the Senate bill, and secs. 212, 239, 550O, 629, 633, 804, 829, 842, 861, 872, 877, 883, 884, 891, 895, 899E, 899H, 899I, 1064, 1085, 1099B, title XI, secs. 1704, 1711, 1713–16, and 3127 of the House amendment, and modifica-

tions committed to conference: Representatives Lynch, Connolly, and Green of Tennessee. **Page H7745**

From the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, for consideration of secs. 216, 219, 1612, 6001, 6006, 6008, 6009, 6742, 6754, 8524, and 10742 of the Senate bill, and secs. 214, 217, 882, and 1089 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Johnson of Texas, Sherrill, and Baird.

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From the Committee on Small Business, for consideration of sec. 841 of the Senate bill, and secs. 872–76, 878, 879, 881, 882, and 886–89 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Velázquez, Golden, and Chabot.

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From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of secs. 353, 1612, 1682, 2805, title XXXV, secs. 6001, 6006, 6012, 6015, 6019, 6021, 6754, 8500, 8511, 8517, 8519, 8520, 8522, 8523, 8525, 8532, 8543, 8545, 8546, and 8571 of the Senate bill, and secs. 311, 313, 330A, 330O, 351, 354, 555, 569, 580C, 606, 896, 2808, 3501, and 3504 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Delgado, Pappas, and Katko.

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From the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for consideration of secs. 568, 721, 726, 727, 1083, 1431, 2812, 2813, 5702, and 6007 of the Senate bill, and secs. 530, 530A, 545, 546, 550E, 550G, 550H, 550I, 550J, 569, 570E, 570F, 574, 624, 705, 706, 713, 715, 1093, 1126, and 1411 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Representatives Takano, Brownley of California, and Watkins.

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Oath of Office—Ninth Congressional District of North Carolina: Representative-elect Dan Bishop presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter received from Katelyn Love, General Counsel, North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held September 10, 2019, the Honorable Dan Bishop was elected Representative to Congress for the Ninth Congressional District, State of North Carolina.

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Oath of Office—Third Congressional District of North Carolina: Representative-elect Greg Murphy presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a scanned copy of a letter received from Katelyn Love, General Counsel, North Carolina State Board of Elections, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held September 10, 2019, the

Honorable Gregory Murphy was elected Representative to Congress for the Third Congressional District, State of North Carolina. **Pages H7742, H7747**

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlemen from North Carolina, the whole number of the House is 435.

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Permitting States to transfer certain funds from the clean water revolving fund of a State to the drinking water revolving fund of the State in certain circumstances: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and pass S. 1689, to permit States to transfer certain funds from the clean water revolving fund of a State to the drinking water revolving fund of the State in certain circumstances.

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Alaska Remote Generator Reliability and Protection Act: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 163, to prevent catastrophic failure or shutdown of remote diesel power engines due to emission control devices.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2019: H.R. 4285, to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend and modify certain authorities and requirements relating to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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Health Information Technology Advisory Committee—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee to fill the existing vacancy thereon: Dr. Jim Jirjis of Nashville, Tennessee.

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Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of his intent to enter into a trade agreement regarding tariff barriers with Japan—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–63).

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Senate Referral: S. Con. Res. 25 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7719.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7741–42 and H7743–44. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PRESIDENTIAL OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE AND ABUSE OF POWER

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Presidential Obstruction of Justice and Abuse of Power”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FORCED ARBITRATION INJUSTICE REPEAL ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1423, the “Forced Arbitration Injustice Repeal Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–3, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1423, the “Forced Arbitration Injustice Repeal Act”. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–32, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report, and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule waives the requirement of clause 6(a) of Rule XIII, for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of September 20, 2019, relating to a measure making or continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. Finally, the rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of September 19, 2019, or September 20, 2019, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules and that the Speaker or her